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Mr. Dennis Wagner
Director - Public Policy, R&EA
BellSouth Telecommunications
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Dear Mr. Wagner:

In order to assist the Authority in reviewing BellSouth's tariff 2004-1259, *Tariff to Introduce Transit Traffic Service*, it is requested that BellSouth respond to the following:

- 1. From a technical standpoint, explain in detail how wireless-to-wireless local traffic, wireline-to-wireless local traffic and wireline-to-wireline local traffic currently transits BellSouth's network.
- 2. If none of the local traffic identified in item one (above) currently transits BellSouth's network, explain technically how such calls are completed.
- 3. Upon implementation of the transit service tariff, will carriers have to subscribe to transit service in order to utilize BellSouth's network for completing local traffic as described in item one (above)? Please explain.
- 4. If local traffic identified in item one (above) currently transits BellSouth's network, please identify the specific charge that BellSouth currently assesses to rural LECs, CLECs and CMRS Providers who do not have an existing interconnection agreement with BellSouth for such traffic.
- 5. If transit service were determined by the Authority to be a rate increase for an existing service, provide the price cap calculations and the associated revenue increase that would result from the transit tariff.
- 6. Under BellSouth's position that transit service is new, please explain in detail how revenues generated from transit traffic will be reflected in future price cap calculations. Please indicate how the reference revenue and proposed revenue for transit traffic would be calculated in the price cap calculations. Also, please provide

the amount of revenue (actual or estimate) that BellSouth's transit service will generate annually.

It is requested that this information be provided no later than Tuesday November 2, 2004 and that you reference Docket 04-00380 on the response. In accordance with TRA rules submit either (1) thirteen written copies of your response or (2) four written copies and an electronic version. Should you have any questions regarding this request, please contact David Foster at (615) 741-2904, extension 188.

Sincerely,

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